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HOMOLOGOUS RECOMBINATION IN MISMATCH REPAIR INACTIVATED

**EUKARYOTIC CELLS** 

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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF DECISION ON PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) determined for the captioned patent.

With the Decision mailed on May 10, 2010, the Patent Office determined that the patent was entitled to 0 days of PTA. The present Request for Reconsideration is timely filed within one (1) month or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the decision.

Applicants have calculated PTA for the captioned patent, and have determined that the patent is entitled to 139 days PTA, as shown on the attached sheet, which shows the relevant delays under 37 CFR §§1.702(a) and (b), and under 37 CFR §§1.703(a) and (b).

The attached sheet details the circumstances during the prosecution of the application resulting in the patent that constitute a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of such application as set forth in § 1.704.

(a) Total of non-overlapping PTO delay under §154(b)(1)(A) & (B): 638 days

(b) Total Applicant delay: 499 days

Final PTA Determination: 139 days

Applicants believe the 209 day reduction between the filing of a Notice of Appeal on June 23, 2005 and an RCE on January 18, 2006 under 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(B)(i) is not proper. 35 USC 154(b)(1)(B)(i) provides that the guarantee of no more than 3-year pendency does not include "any time consumed by continued examination of the application." 37 C.F.R. 1.702(b)(1) contains parallel language. 37 C.F.R. 1.703(b)(1) implements these provisions by counting the number of days "beginning on the date on which a request for continued examination . . . was filed and ending on the date the patent was issued." (emphasis added) 37 C.F.R. 1.703(b)(1) is clear in stating that the "type-B" delay does not include time from the RCE date to the issue date. Thus, Applicants believe that the Office's PTA calculation using the notice of appeal date to the issue date is in clear error. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request adjustment of the "B-type" delay to 576 (367 + 209) days.

Additionally, Applicants believe there is a 42 day "A-type" delay. Specifically, under 35 U.S.C. §154(b)(1)(A)(i), the Office was required to "provide at least one of the notifications...not later than 14 months after- the date on which an application was filed." However, the Office did not provide a restriction requirement until October 1, 2002, which was 42 days after the 14 month filing date of June 20, 2001.

Finally, Applicants believe there is a 20 day "A-type" delay. Specifically, under 35 U.S.C. §154(b)(1)(A)(iv), the Office was required to "issue a patent within 4 months after the date on which the issue fee was paid." However, the Office did not issue the patent until April 3, 2007, which was 20 days after the 4 month anniversary that the issue fee was paid (issue fee was paid on November 14, 2006).

Applicants therefore respectfully request that the patent be accorded 139 days PTA.

The patent is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

It is believed no fees are due for the present filing. Any deficiency in fees may be charged to Deposit Account 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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